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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.821-825

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed October 5, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 4, lines 6-15 and replace it with the following paragraph:

Figure 3. Selective inhibition of mutant SOD1 G93A expression by U6-G93A vector in Hela cells. (A) Design of the G93A shRNA (SEQ ID NO: 16), wild type SOD1 disclosed as SEQ ID NO: 15. (B) SOD1 wtGFP or SOD1 G93A-GFP were cotransfected with U6-empty or U6-G93A. DsRed was cotransfected as a transfection control. Green and red fluorescent cells were quantified using FACS. Results form four experiments were averaged. Error bars represent standard deviation.